

# Instructions for Catalog # 607

# Air Filter Gross Alpha/Beta

Revision 100411

## **Description**:

- This standard is packaged in 47-mm filter holder containing one 47-mm diameter glass fiber filter.
- This standard is not preserved.
- The filter should be stored at room temperature.
- This product is intended to be used as a quality control check of the entire analytical process for the analytes/matrix included in the standard.
- The dilution instructions below represent the minimum suggested sample size for this product. Using a smaller sample size may invalidate the assigned value and/or uncertainty shown on the certificate of analysis.
- The standard contains the following analytes in the activity ranges shown:

Gross Alpha (as Thorium-230)..... 5 – 100 pCi/filter Gross Beta (as Cesium-137)...... 5 – 100 pCi/filter

# Helpful Hints:

- This standard is supplied as a spiked filter and the whole filter must be used during preparation and analysis to determine analyte concentrations.
- One side of the glass fiber filter is treated with acrylic lacquer. The spiking solution is applied using a dye such that the spiked side of the filter is easily identified.
- This standard is designed for either direct mount counting or digestion procedures.
- If the standard is digested and flaming is utilized, it should be performed with the lowest heat possible and for the shortest period possible to avoid volatilization losses of Cesium-137.

### Instructions:

- 1. Transfer the entire filter to the preparation vessel or planchet for direct counting.
- 2. Use your regular preparation and analytical procedures.
- 3. Decay correct analytical results to the reference date shown on the standard holder.

### Safety:

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